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EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, SY, UR

SUBJECT: BREZHNEV MIDDLE EAST VISIT

1. PAKISTANI AMBASSADOR INFORMED ME EVENING JANUARY 14 THAT SOVIET AMBASSADOR MOUKHITDINOV HAD SAME DAY TOLD HIM ANNOUNCEMENT WOULD BE MADE SHORTLY RESCHEDULING BREZHVEN'S VISIT TO MIDDLE EAST. PAKISTANI SAID THAT WHEN HE PRESSED SOVIET, MOUKHITDINOV HAD ADDED HE ANTICIPATED ANNOUNCEMENT WOULD BE ISSUED PRIOR END JANUARY.

2. AT SAME SOCIAL FUNCTION QUERIED PRESIDENT ASAD'S POLITICAL ADVISOR, ADIB DAOUDI, RE RESCHEDULING OF VISIT. DAOUDI ANSWERED HE UNAWARE OF ANY IMPENDING ANNOUNCEMENT AND PERSONALLY THOUGHT IT "HIGHLY PREMATURE FOR ANYONE TO DISCUSS NEW DATES."

3. COMMENT: PAK WAS CLEARLY CONVINCED HE HAD BEEN GIVEN STRAIGHT STORY BY SOVIET. WHILE CANNOT EVALUATE VALIDITY OF PAK'S REPORT, WOULD NOTE THAT MOUKHITDINOV IS EXPERT IN AVOIDING BEING PINNED DOWN ON ANY SUBJECT. SINCE NEWS RECEIVED HERE DECEMBER 30 OF POSTPONEMENT BREZHNEV'S VISIT HE HAS LIMITED SELF TO BLAND GENERALIZATIONS ASSURING HIS AUDITORS THAT VISIT POSTPONEMENT WAS TEMPORARY MATTER AND WOULD BE RESCHEDULED SOON.

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